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SUBJECT: ECONADS: FOLLOW-UP TO MAY 30 MEETING ON
COMMUNIST AID AND TRADE WITH LDC'S.

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1. WE CONTINUE TO STAND BY OUR ASSESSMENT OF TOTAL VALUE
OF COMMUNIST MILITARY DELIVERIES TO ARAB BELLIGERENTS
DURING YOM KIPPUR WAR.

2. ANALYSTS REVIEWED FRENCH PAPER, PARTICULARLY ANNEX
LISTING EQUIPMENT PRICES. FRENCH PRICE ESTIMATES ARE
GENERALLY REASONABLE AND IN LINE WITH OUR OWN.

3. DIFFERENCES, THEREFORE, MUST RELATE TO AMOUNTS AND
TYPES OF EQUIPMENT DELIVERED. IN THIS CONNECTION,
WE NOTE THAT FRENCH PAPER CONTAINS FEW DETAILS.

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4. WE HOPE USDEL CAN LIMIT HIS COMMENTS TO THE FOREGOING.
WE WOULD NOT WISH TO SUPPLY ECONADS WITH DETAILED BREAK-
DOWN OF EQUIPMENT DELIVERIES.

5. REGARDING OTHER COMMENTS ON U.S. PAPER:

A. WE NOW INCLUDE THE \$25 MILLION ROMANIAN CREDIT TO
PERU IN OUR AID FIGURES.

B. COMMUNIST ACTIVITY IN NIGERIA, MAURITIUS AND
MAURITANIA WAS NOT SPELLED OUT IN DETAIL BECAUSE IT
REPRESENTED ROUTINE IMPLEMENTATION OF OLD COMMITMENTS.
THE COUNTRY SECTION ARE MEANT TO COVER ONLY SIGNIFICANT
NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN LDC COMMUNIST RELATIONS, PARTICULARLY
AS THEY RELATE TO MAJOR RECIPIENTS OF COMMUNIST AID.

C. TRADE FIGURES FOR 1973 WERE NOT AVAILABLE AT THE TIME
THE REPORT WENT TO PRESS.

D. AID IS DEFINED TO INCLUDE ALL COMMITMENTS THAT ALLOW
REPAYMENT IN 5 YEARS OR MORE. KISSINGER

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